

Fulbright and Humphrey Information Session

U.S. Embassy Dar es Salaam

Why apply for a Fulbright Fellowship?

- One of the largest exchange programs in the world, with outreach in most of the world's countries.
- Study in the U.S. affords opportunities for collaboration with Americans and people from other countries.
- Research facilities and presentation opportunities are endless, some of the best in the world.
- There are over 250 alumni of various Fulbright programs in Tanzania, including people you may work with every day. There are over 3000 Tanzanian alumni of various U.S. Government funded programs.
- Fulfilling study years, and excellent partners in universities and parent agencies.
- Fun!

What are the Fulbright programs?

- Fulbright Junior Staff Development Program
 - For masters or doctoral studies
 - In any field
 - Minimum of two years' funding
 - African competition

- International Fulbright Science and Technology PhD Program
 - For hard sciences
 - Science, technology and engineering doctoral candidates
 - Global competition

The Hubert Humphrey Program

- For mid-level career professionals
- Non-degree
- One year academic and professional development in the U.S.
- Not for academicians unless in administrative positions
- Candidates usually have a "problem" they want to solve in Tanzania
- Candidates usually work in leadership roles with institutions making a difference in Tanzania
- Around 15 campuses in the U.S. to be placed at, depending on the discipline.

Do you qualify?

- Minimum qualifications for Fulbright JSD/S&T include:
- Citizen and Resident of Tanzania
- Bachelor's Degree
- 2 years' working experience within your field of study
- Good plan to return to your institution/Endorsement from your employer
- Good English communication skills
- Excellent grades and achievements
- Leadership skills
- Good writing skills
- Funding is only for 2 years

- Minimum qualifications for HHH include:
- Citizen and Resident of Tanzania
- Bachelor's Degree
- 5 years' working experience within your field of study
- Good plan to return to your institution/ Endorsement from your employer
- Good English communication skills
- Excellent grades and achievements
- Leadership skills
- Good writing skills
- Program is one year, nonrenewable

Who is who?

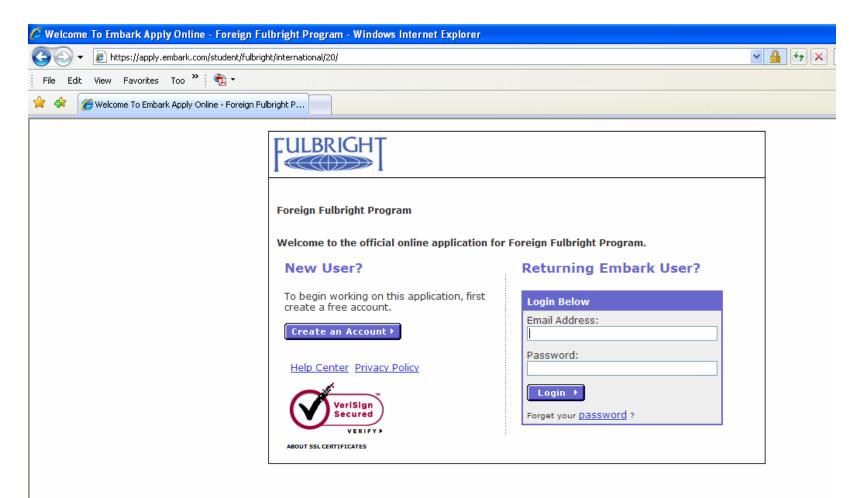
- In Tanzania:
 - [U.S. Department of State]
 - American Embassy
 Dar es Salaam
 - Tanzanian Institutions
 - Applicants

- In the U.S.
 - U.S. Department of State
 - Institute of International Education/Fulbright Board
 - JSD/S&T/Humphrey Program
 - American Universities
 - Candidates

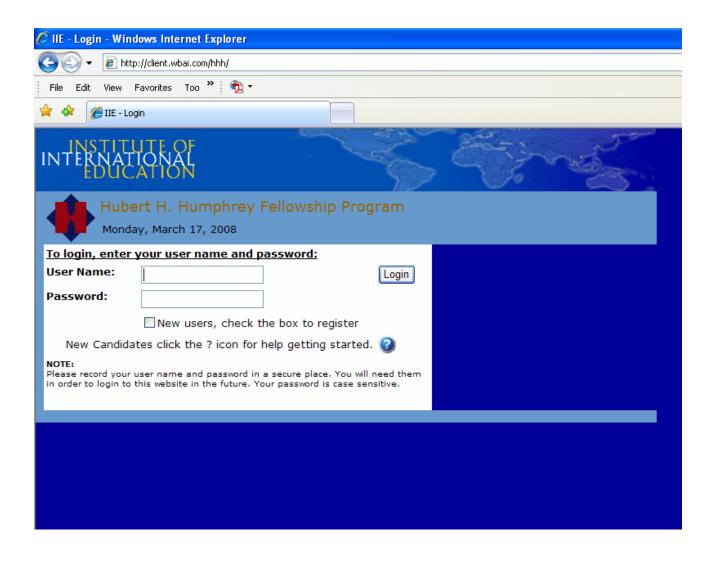
What is the process?

- Attend information session
- If you qualify, go to website http://tanzania.usembassy.gov/educational_exchange.html
- Apply online attaching* copies of all certified copies of diplomas and transcripts, recommendation letters, English proficiency, signed and dated.
- Deadlines: In April for S&T, in June for JSD and HHH.
- SUCCESSFUL candidates get called for an interview.
- After interview, SUCCESSFUL candidates sit for the TOEFL and, if applicable the GRE/GMAT/GRE Subject tests.
- Copies of passports, letters from employers, and other documents are required after confirmation.
- Medical forms are required after February from shortlisted candidates, and results come out starting in April.
- Departure may begin as early as June if you require orientation, but otherwise in August of the grant year.

Fulbright JSD, S&T application



Hubert Humphrey Application



What makes a good application

- Over 100 applicants, vying for 5 (JSD), 2 (S&T), or 3 (HHH) spots.
- Interview panel will take 5 minutes to read your application the first time – you must grab their attention in those first five minutes.
- Complete and ACCURATE application, free from grammatical and factual errors.
- Complete application includes signature page, certificates and recommendation letters.
- Hand in ALL documents TOGETHER on time.

What makes the best applications

- Correct name with full contact details (name as in passport)
- Excellent essays and answers that reveal who you are and WHY you should be picked over 100 other people.
- Details that keep the reader interested, but do not bore.
- Information that is comprehensive and makes the reader want to meet you in person.
- Reference letters ask people who know you well, not those who will give you standard glowing "she's capable and the best" letter. Pick people who are fluent in the language of the recommendation, and will take the time to really write about you.
- Narrative CV this is NOT a list. This is a chance for you to really tell them about yourself. Do not make redundant statements.
- In your writing, you must demonstrate why you want to study the field you have chosen, how it will help your institution and Tanzania in general and how you will accomplish your goals.
- PhD applicants have to include an additional writing sample of about 10 pages.
- S&T applicants need to be in hard sciences do you measure, mix, make, etc.?

Additional Tips

- Become a member of the Information Resource Center.
 <u>USE</u> the IRC.
- Read, READ, READ and READ some more.
- Look up alternate sources of funding if the program is longer than a year or two, you may need additional funds. Plus, some of you may not make it because of the stiff competition. Use our Educational Advising Center.
- Look up our training materials on what makes a good application; attend Student Enrichment Program.
- Share information, materials and form networks.

Q&A

If you qualify, do you have any questions?

 (If you don't have questions, it means you have not understood a thing.... A good applicant always has more questions)